### **Community Services Agency**

of the Metropolitan Washington Council, AFL-CIO



## **CSA Annual Program Highlights**

"Labor Cares - Labor Shares"



## **Meeting Emergency Needs**

- Emergency Assistance Program helped 350 working families avoid evictions, foreclosures, utility cut-offs and hunger
- Holiday Basket Project provided food, gifts and funds for 60 area needy families at Thanksgiving and Christmas
- Food drives collected non-perishable food distributed to 100 neighbors in need
- Referred 250 area residents to additional resources in the area for emergency and other family needs

## Helping Families Become Self-Sufficient

- Building Futures Program trained 70 unemployed area residents in a construction pre-apprenticeship training program with 80% landing jobs and apprenticeships after graduation
- Futures Program from the United Planning Organization, DC Workforce Investment Council, MARPAT Foundation, Joshua Community Fund, SHARE Fund, Anonymous Donor Fund
- CSA is a Preferred Training Provider for Maryland Department of Transportation ready to assist low-income area residents into entry level jobs on the Purple Line slated to begin construction in 2016



## JOIN IN THE FUN WITH CSA's SPORTS & LABOR FAMILY EVENTS

Every year, CSA sponsors the "Bowling for Gold" Bowling Tournament, Labor Night at the Nats, and the Annual Golf Tournament, all of which raise money for the Emergency Assistance Fund.

For information about these events, email kmckirchy@dclabor.org

# Supporting the Local Labor Community

- Promoted the Letter Carriers Food Drive in May which collects thousands of pounds of non- perishable food for area food banks
- Provided emergency assistance to over 350 members of 45 local unions facing hunger, evictions, foreclosures, utility cut-offs
- Assisted 30 area local unions with volunteer activities, food and clothing drives, fundraising for other local charities, training for members
- Provided strike support to area members of CWA locals on strike at Verizon for 45 days; provided \$30,000 in emergency assistance to members

The mission of the Community Services Agency is to improve the lives of workers and their families by meeting their human and social services needs; by building diverse coalitions to promote and protect dignity and justice for workers; and by empowering workers and their unions to make their communities better places to live, work, raise a family and retire.

CSA is a United Way/Combined Federal/DC ONE Fund Campaign Participant and is a member of the national AFL-CIO Community Services Network.

CSA proudly provides services for union members and residents of suburban Maryland, Northern Virginia, and the District of Columbia.



### **Emergency Assistance**

CSA helped over 90 striking members of CWA Locals 2108, 2336 and 2222 to pay past due emergency bills for food, utilities, rent, mortgages, car notes and other needs, and coordinated food drives and strike support from area union affiliates.

#### LABOR CARES - LABOR SHARES

#### SUPPORT THE COMMUNITY SERVICES AGENCY USING THESE DESIGNATION NUMBERS:

United Way and DC One Fund Campaigns: #8253 Combined Federal Campaign: #19579

Maryland Charity Campaign: #9320

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